Proceedings of the Mysore Representative Assembly, 1911.

MEMORANDUM.

The twenty-eighth session of the Assembly of Representative ryots, merchants and others was held in the Durbar Hall of the Public Offices at Mysore on the 6th October 1911 and succeeding days, the Dewan, Mr. T. Ananda Row, B.A., C.I.E., presiding.

In accordance with the system of triennial election instituted in 1894, the taluk members elected in 1909 continued to hold their seats during this year. The total number of representatives returned was 265, as shown below:—

Representatives from 68 taluks	196
Representatives from 27 Municipalities	42
Representatives from 8 Local Boards	16
Representatives from 11 Associations	11

Of these, there were, arranged according to nationality—

Europeans	4
Mahomedans	16
and	
Hindus	245

Arranged according to occupations, there were—

Merchants	44
Bankers or sahukars	9
Village officers (shanbhogs and patels)	69
Landholders	105
Lawyers	27
Schoolmaster	1
Others	10

Of the total number of seats in the Assembly, *viz.*, 281, there were 16 vacancies owing to death and disqualification, leaving 265 as the number actually returned rom the districts.

The total number of members who attended the Assembly was 184as against 211 in the previous year.

The Hon'ble Col. Hugh Daly, C.S.I., C.I.E., British Resident in Mysore, the European guests of His Highness the Maharaja and a large body of retired officers and leading citizens of Mysore were present on the opening day of the Assembly. The members of the State Council, the heads of various departments and other principal officers of the State were also present.

The Proceedings commenced at 12 noon by the Dewan's Address being read in English by Mr. C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, B.A., Officiating Secretary to Government, and in Kannada by Mr. B. Ramaswamayya, B.A., B.L., Under-Secretary to Government.

On behalf of the Mining Board, Kolar, Mr. H. M. A. Cooke read an address and he was followed by Messrs. Pilkington and Crawford (on behalf of Mysore Planters' Associations), Mr. Abdul Rahiman Saib (on behalf of the Central Mahomedan Association, Bangalore), Mr. A. Ramanna (on behalf of the members of the Yedatore taluk), Mr. Srinivasa Sitaram Kulkarni, member, Chitaldrug District Board, and Mr. Ramanujaiengar, Gubbi taluk. These addresses with the Dewan's reply are printed in Appendix A.

The representations made by members were discussed at sittings held on eight days from 7th to 14th October 1911, inclusive. The body of this report contains a summary of the discussions and the replies given thereto by the Dewan.

On the 8th of October, the Assembly met for the purpose of electing two members to sit on the Legislative Council, the term of membership of the two non-official members elected in October 1909 expiring on the 31st October 1911. Messrs. D. Venkataramiah and B. Narasinga Rao, for the Eastern and Western Divisions, respectively, having secured the largest number of votes, were appointed as members of the Legislative Council in Notification No. J. 1194—Legis. 15-11-1, dated 17th October 1911. The papers relating to the elections are printed in Appendix E.

At the close of the sittings of the Assembly, Mr. T. Rangachar of the T.-Narsipur taluk read an address, which is also included in Appendix A. Messrs. Amble Anniah Pandit, Karnik Krishna Murti Rao and several others also spoke on behalf of the members present thanking the Dewan for the patient hearing given to their representations and for the encouraging replies given thereto and prayed that their sentiments of loyalty and gratitude might be conveyed to His Highness the Maharaja.

In reply, the Dewan thanked the members for their kind words and good wishes and promised to convey their sentiments of loyalty and gratitude to His Highness the Maharaja.

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